

Jean Jewell

From: seanmcbride10@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 10:47 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness
Subject: PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Sean follows:

Case Number: IPC-E-10-56
Name: Sean
Address:
City: Salt Lake City
State: Utah
Zip:
Daytime Telephone:
Contact E-Mail: seanmcbride10@yahoo.com
Name of Utility Company: Rocky Mountain Power
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

I support approval of the power purchase agreement. This project is affordable and is in an area in need of economic growth. Projects like this one in rural communities provide needed tax dollars for essential government functions and inject significant funds into the economy through the construction process. They also pay local land owners royalties and lease payments that go directly into the local economy.

Owyhee County officials have been very supportive of this project through the permitting process and they want to see it happen. County officials, BLM officials and officials from the Fish & Wildlife department have all commented that this project is one of the best planned and thought-out projects they have seen and that the owner of the project has gone out of his way to make sure that appropriate steps have been taken to protect wildlife and the local environment. I urge the commission to approve the PPA.

The form submitted on <http://www.puc.idaho.gov/forms/ipuc1/ipuc.html>
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From: radams@redcopower.com
Sent: Thursday, March 17, 2011 2:51 AM
To: Jean Jewell; Beverly Barker; Gene Fadness
Subject: PUC Comment Form

A Comment from Rob Adams follows:

Case Number: IPC-E-10-56
Name: Rob Adams
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City: South Jordan
State: UT
Zip: 84095
Daytime Telephone: (435) 421-9022
Contact E-Mail: radams@redcopower.com
Name of Utility Company: REDCO
Acknowledge: acknowledge

Please describe your comment briefly:

I support IPUC approval of signed Power Purchase Agreement associated with the aforementioned case without delay for the following reasons:

1. Contract pricing is at Idaho Power's avoided cost with different appropriate scheduled rates for power produced during peak periods in the day as well as peak seasons in the year. Resource studies show this project will produce approximately 67% of its total generation during peak periods.
2. Carbon based generation is becoming increasingly difficult to permit and operate over concern regarding carbon emissions. It matters not where one stands on the issue of global warming, society has become much less tolerant of carbon fuels being used for the generation of electricity. The current situation in Japan will impede the development of nuclear generation for the foreseeable future. As oil prices continue to rise, the demands on the electrical generation system will continue to become more important to our economy
3. Electrical needs for the whole of society are increasing, not the other way around. If the renewable energy resources in Idaho are developed and exported to neighboring states, Idaho residents will be found without sufficient local resources from which to generate power for their own consumption. This project is critical to harnessing the wind to help grow Idaho's economy.
4. This project is being located in Owyhee County, a county where according to the US Census Bureau's 2009 estimate has a median household income of 69% that of Idaho and 59% that of the US. Revenues from the gross receipts taxes to local and state governments from this project and the two in the same area will be close to \$300,000 annually.
5. This project will create high paying jobs that are desperately needed in rural communities such as Murphy and Marsing and other small communities in Owyhee County.

Once again, I urge the commission to approve this project without delay.

Sincerely,

Rob Adams